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From the

P R E S I D E N T



Since the last JOURNAL, we have held two successful meetings, so I'll try to cover the highlights of both. First, the meeting held at the MSNA Convention in September. This meeting was attended by 37 members and guests. We almost had a full house. Dave McDonald of the Carroll County Coin Club was our speaker and before the meeting ended, Dave became a member. MD TAMS members captured about half of the awards for their exhibits at the show. On another page, I'll go into detail for the exhibit winners.

At the MANA Convention, 30 members and guest attended our meeting. For medical reasons, Mr. Russ Rulau was unable to join us. The most important item discussed at this meeting was how to raise money for the Book Fund. Millard Hajek is chairing the BOOK COMMITTEE and I have asked Mill to submit a Book Committee Report, so I will not go into any detail here. For the exhibits at this show, MD TAMS members also did very well. Our Treasurer, Pete Burris was the Exhibit Chairman for MANA and did an excellent job of coordinating the exhibit area.

As I stated above, MD TAMS needs a lot of money for the Book Fund. Several ways have been suggested in order to raise funds. One of them was a donation auction, so, we will hold a DONATION AUCTION along with the annual meeting in April of '84 with all proceeds to go into the Book Fund. I am asking every member to assist us with this auction. Please send or give your auction pieces to any of the book committee; their address will be listed with the book committee report. Jane wants to publish the auction list in the Spring Journal, so we must have all auction material by February 1st, 1984. Oh, by the way, cash is also acceptable.

Going back to the July meeting, I stated that I ordered our logo made as lapel pins. One day last month I stopped once more to check on them. Bad news; our order was lost in the mail and I had to re-order.

The next MD TAMS meeting will be held at the Sheraton Hotel and Exhibition Center, New Carrollton, Md. in conjunction with the Suburban Washington Numismatic Association Show on Saturday, February 18, 1984 at Noon. I hope to see you there.

At this is the last JOURNAL for 1983, I would like to extend a very warm Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year to all.

Bob

# FAIR GROUNDS TOKEN

by Millard W. Hajek, LM-1

I'm sure most of you have seen the FAIR GROUNDS Token in Dealers stock books and junk boxes during your search for tokens. It's a rather a common piece, reasonably priced and easy to find. The name FAIR GROUNDS does not apply to FAIRS as we normally think of them today but was actually a Penny Arcade. (Boy, doesn't that name Penny Arcade date me). The FAIR GROUNDS is still located at the same address on 306 E. Baltimore Street and now features video games and pool. The current owner knows nothing about the tokens. Here's an interesting story about a F. G. token.

The F. G. token appeared in one of our MD TAMS auctions and some spirited bidding evolved between some guests and members. If I recall correctly, the piece brought over \$5.00 and I couldn't contain my curiosity as to why the eventual winner, a guest, was so anxious to win this specimen. (I really thought I had missed a rare find). I was even more curious since I knew the individual personally who wasn't even a token collector. I asked him why and he informed me that it was quite obvious why he bid so high for the F.G. token. They just happened to be his initials and how often can you find a personalized token with your own initials.

Did you know that the FAIR GROUNDS token comes in two sizes and two different metals with the smaller size a die variety?

Here are the FAIR GROUNDS token in my collection. If you have other types or varieties, please let me know.

#1 OB: FAIR GROUNDS/ F.G. in center / 306 E. BALTO ST.

RV: x F.G. x F.G. x F.G. in a circle around  
perimeter with F.G. in center.

Bi-metal: Copper tith iron center 7mm in  
diameter.

19 mm Round



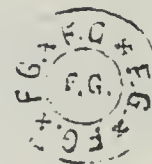
#2 Same OB & RV lettering as #1 but a different die

OB: FAIR GROUNDS/ F.G. in center of a circle  
8 mm in diameter/ 306 E. BALTO ST.

RV: x F.G. x F.G. x F.G. x F.G. in a circle  
around perimeter with F.G. in center of  
a circle 9mm in diameter

( F.G. larger letters than #1 above)

19mm Round Brass

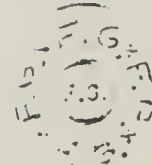


#3 Same as #2 but copper

#4 OB: FAIR GROUNDS / F.G. in center of a circle  
7mm in diameter/ 307 E. BALTO ST.

RV: x F.G. x F.G. x F.G. x F.G. with F.G. in  
center of a circle 7 mm in diameter

21mm Round Brass







# 1983 LITERARY AWARDS

Unanimous winners in each category were selected by the judges for the 1983 Literary Awards.

First place in the Continuing Series Category was the articles written by Jane and Russ Sears on "Maryland Canning Tokens". Finishing a close second to receive Honorable mention was the popular series "Checken For Pickers" by Willard R. Mumford. Other articles receiving votes from the judges were "Maryland Charge Coins" by Dorothy A. Hajek, "Maryland Transportation Tokens" by Karl W. Gabsch and Karl E. Gabsch and "Maryland Encased Coins" by Joan Marie Taylor.

Capturing first place in the Individual Article Category was A. Vernon Taylor's article "Mirror, Mirror, In Your Pocket". Runner-up to receive Honorable Mention was another Taylor article "Maryland Calendar Medals". The judges also voted for "Commercial Credit Company 25th Anniversary" by A. Vernon Taylor and "Karson's Restaurant" by Russ and Jane Sears.

The Literary Awards Committee Chairman expresses his sincere thanks and appreciation to judges F. William Kuetre, Jr., David E. Schenkman and Barry D. Tayman for their time and effort in determining the noteworthy articles and authors to be acknowledged for their literary achievements. Also to Vernon Taylor for his ideas and help in preparation of the certificates and to all those members who wrote articles for the Journal.

The MD TAMS Journal is a product of the membership. It just mirrors your efforts! So, let's get some new contributors and give those perennials Literary Award winners some competition.

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# **MARYLAND CANNING TOKENS**

Jane Sears R-80

&

Russ Sears R-54

A continuing study of tokens used in Maryland Canning Industry.


Following the precedent established by other series in this journal, we will refer to these canning tokens as MD-CT-(Number) for reference purposes, in case someone wishes to refer to one of these pieces in letters or conversation.

\* \* BALTIMORE \* \*

## THE R. H. POLLOCK PACKING COMPANY

The short lived R. H. Pollock Packing Company was located at 30 Knickerbocker Building from 1906 to 1908 and at 218 E. Lexington Street in 1909.



OBVERSE: The R.H. POLLOCK PACKING CO. /  /  
•BALTIMORE, MD. •

REVERSE: (oran) 4 (oran)

19mm , aluminum, Round

MD-CT-13

## H. J. HORN & COMPANY

In 1872, Henry J. Horn started his oyster and fruit packing business at 129 S. Broadway. The next year he moved to 103 East Street, and remained there until 1885. In 1878 the company's name was changed to H.J. Horn & Co. when George E. & John H. Horn joined the company. From 1886 to 1890 the firm was located at 54 (now 328) Forrest.



OBVERSE: H. J. HORN & CO. / 5 / BALTIMORE

REVERSE: female head within wreath

20mm, Brass, Round

MD-CT-14

Miller 71, Adams 71, Duffield 60

CHARLES TREUSCH

Charles Treusch came to Baltimore from Germany where he was born in 1828. For a few years, he was a member of the firm of Treusch, Schoenberg & Company, located at wharf corner end of Thames. In 1868 he began his own oyster & fruit packing business at 131 S. Broadway. He remained there until 1883 when he moved to 45 S. Luzerne (now 607) until 1897. Mr. Treusch died February 9, 1903.



OBVERSE: ★ CHAS. TREUSCH ★ / 5 / BALTIMORE

REVERSE: female head surrounded by 13 stars, below in small letter, "P. H. J."



20mm, Brass, Round  
Miller 170, Adams 170, Duffield 145, Wright 1160  
MD-CT-15a

Also 20mm, Copper, Round (not listed)

OBVERSE: ★ CHAS. TREUSCH ★ / 5 / BALTIMORE

REVERSE: a flower with 12 petals

20mm, Lead, Round  
Miller 171, Adams 171, Duffield 146  
MD-CT-15b



While this token has been listed as lead, our specimen appears to be zinc.

Also available: as above but CTSP TREUSCH on reverse

W. S. AHERN & J. F. BROADBENT

The firm of W. S. Ahern & J. F. Broadbent were oyster and fruit packers that never appeared in the Baltimore City Directories. The directory information was obtained in the fall and appeared in the beginning of the next year. A company could come and go and not even be recorded.

BROADBENT J. F. & CO. J. F.  
Broadbent, French Spice Mills,  
manufacturers and dealers in Cor-  
fee, Cude and Ground Spices,  
Mustards, Sauces, Cream Tartar,  
Etc. also Agents for Prof. Hall's  
celebrated London Yeast or Baking  
Powder, 57 N. Calvert.

In 1864, Joseph F. Broadbent was an oyster & fruit packer and coffee dealer at 145 North. The next year he was listed as a coffee and spice dealer at 57 N. Calvert.

W. S. Ahern was not listed in 1864. But in 1865 he was listed as a oyster & fruit packer at Jackson, Federal Hill.

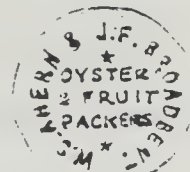
OBVERSE: W. S. AHERN & J. F. BROADBENT /  
★ / OYSTER / & FRUIT / PACKERS / ★

REVERSE: wreath

(Same wreath as Civil War die # 1296- Fuld without mug.)

21mm, Brass, Round  
MD-CT-16

This may be a Civil War Token.





# Vittles & Grog

By David J. Bohaska R-92

"Vittles & Grog" began as "Harbor Island Inn" with "vittles and grog" in smaller letters on its sign. The restaurant was located at Harbor Island Marina, Solomons, Maryland for five years. In about 1980 it moved across the street (next to the Island Manor Motel), shortened its name to "Casey's Vittles & Grog", and remained there until late in 1983. It was at this second location that the "Vittles & Grog" tokens were used.

Co-owner Ray Casey remembers seeing Mardi Gras doubloons in Louisiana, which were the inspiration for his tokens. His tokens were ordered from Minnesota. The tokens were kept in an open chest inside the entrance to the restaurant with a pirate mannequin standing guard over them. Although the tokens were not redeemable, restaurant patrons could take one as a souvenir.

The lighthouse shown on the reverse is the Drum Point Lighthouse, formerly located at the mouth of the Patuxent River near Solomons and now in Solomons at the Calvert Marine Museum. Solomons is known as a yachting center, hence the sailboat shown. The "harborized cocktails" referred to were served in brandy snifters and contained three ounces of liquor. Casey's Vittles & Grog overlooked Solomons inner harbor at both of its earlier locations.

As of 03 October 1983, the restaurant is known simply as "Vittles & Grog" and is located where "The Moorings" restaurant used to be, at Patuxent Inn Motel, on route 235 north of Lexington Park, St. Mary's County, Maryland. Ray and Jan Casey, the owners, plan to set up the pirate and chest of tokens at this new location.

Thanks to Ray Casey and manager Barbara Joy for answering questions about the restaurant.



Obverse: VITTLES & GROG / Illustration of screwpile lighthouse (presumably Drum Point Lighthouse) and sailboat



Reverse: HOME OF THE HARBORIZED COCKTAIL / SOLOMONS / MARYLAND

38mm, Round

3 Varieties: Colored aluminum- Gold, Red and Silver



# From The Editor



We would like to thank those of you who contributed to this issue. As we have said many times, our journal can only be as good as the articles of our members. Our articles and our members are outstanding. We feel that our journal is one of the finest in the country and thank you for helping to make it that way. Please keep the articles coming.

Welcome to our new members. We hope that you enjoy Maryland TAMS as much as we do.

Sometimes as we go about our busy lives we forget that part of the fun of our hobby is sharing it with others. Many people are getting interested in exonomia and would like to know about Maryland TAMS and what we do. Share our hobby with others, recruit new members, and we'll have even more fun than we do now.

Did you know that although we've been Co-Editors of this journal for three issues, no one has sent a letter to the Editor. While we will not promise to publish all letters, your comments and suggestions will be appreciated.

Please send any articles or other information for the journal to the editors at 9323 Waltham Woods Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21234.

Next Deadline February 15th.....

AUCTION DONATIONS DEADLINE February 1st.....



**MARYLAND AMUSEMENT TOKEN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION**  
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We have received word that the MARYLAND AMUSEMENT TOKEN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION has reorganized and welcomes old and new members to join the organization. This is an organization which issues many tokens. For information, contact Bob Johnson at P.O. Box J. Baltimore, Md. 21228.

## FROM YOUR Vice President — Russ Sears

Our October meeting was another good one. It was well attended by members and guests, and highlighted by an auction with real bidding.

As you are aware, Dave Schenkman is still cataloging Maryland merchant tokens. He has cataloged 1500 tokens to date and expects to have approximately 1600 when he completes the project, probably before you read this journal. We expect to go to press in May 1984 and release the book in September 1984.

Millard Hajek has accepted the position of Chairman- Md. TAMS Book Committee. A meeting of the committee at the home of Millard and Dot Hajek resulted in the agreement that the book will be published in a large size, 9" x 11", format (similar to Schenkman's Virginia Token book). One thousand copies are planned to be printed with a selling price around \$30.00. A preliminary budget has been set at twelve thousand dollars.

To assemble the necessary funds, Maryland TAMS has applied to Token and Medal Society and Maryland State Numismatic Society for interest free loans of \$5000 each. Other resources are also being checked. Maryland TAMS expects to supply \$2000 of the amount needed.

As part of our efforts to raise money, we are asking members to see what they can do to help. Our April 1984 meeting will include a donation auction. Your donation of exnumia, or cash donation if you wish to make one, will be appreciated by all. Why don't you stop now and see what you can do to help. Donations can be sent or given to any of the organization officers or mailed to our post office box.

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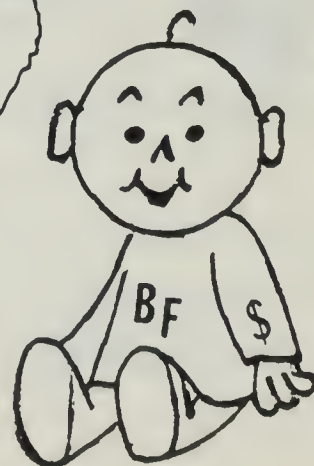
### GONE FISHIN'

In this section we're looking for additional information.

WHAT IS LEFTY'S LAST NAME?

Obv: Lefty's Cafe  
1911 E. Ashland Ave.  
Rev: Good for 5 In Merchandise

Hi I'm  
Book Fund  
help me  
GROW!





# J.W.C. & Co. -- Baltimore or Crisfield ?

By LEE BURTON Md. TAMS R - 55

The summer of 1983 was highlighted by a visit to Crisfield where the token and medal estate of a dedicated local collector was available for inspection. For those who have not been to Crisfield recently, a pleasant surprise is in store because its beautiful marina, busy seafood houses and local museum are well worth the drive. For the collector, wayside flea markets and local antique shops are a worthwhile bonus. The collection in this instance was not disappointing. There was a variety of material but commemorative medals were dominant. As might be expected, a few local tokens had been accumulated and it is one of these that provides this article.

Our subject is an oyster shucker's brass check the size of our current one cent coin. One side features J.F.W. Dorman's 1875 liberty head, in opposition is J.W.C. & Co. ornamentations and "GAL" around a beaded encircled "1". A collector of Maryland tokens would immediately recognize it as Miller's #18 under the Baltimore listing. Yet the collector and his family firmly believed this piece was of Crisfield origin. Obviously there was need for further research. Available directories were not helpful since those dated 1876, 1880 and 1882 didn't reveal any oyster packer with the initials J.W.C. in either Baltimore or Crisfield. However, in 1976, as a major bicentennial project, an 1877 atlas of the Eastern Shore was reproduced. There, on page 32 of the "Bicentennial Atlas of the Eastern Shore" is a comprehensive map of Crisfield. On the waterfront we find oyster packer J. Coulbourn and Wm. Coulbourn. It is not clear whether the names refer to the same person or to a partnership, but it seems to be one business. The adjacent packer is E.W. Milligan whose token Miller lists under Crisfield as #184a. This token also is faced with Dorman's familiar 1875 liberty head. The tokens are presented below:



MD. # 18



MD. # 184a

Actually, J.W.C. & Co. has never been confirmed as a Baltimore oyster packer and conservative cataloger F.G. Duffield omitted it from his list. It is quite possible that a subsequent listing was based more on the location of the token maker than the site of the token user. It could be reasonably assumed that neighboring oyster packers in Crisfield, either not to be outdone, but more likely in collusion, succumbed to Mr. Dorman's marketing skills which reminded packers that our centennial was approaching and that liberty head tokens would be very appropriate. He apparently sold a lot of tokens in 1875. In this instance we have a choice, is J.W.C. & Co. a Baltimore or a Crisfield token. This collector has E.W. Milligan & Sons and J.W.C. & Co. side by side in his Somerset County grouping. They will always evoke a warm memory for a devoted Crisfield collector, Mr. John C. Somers and a enjoyable summer afternoon viewing his collection.

# MARYLAND CHARGE COINS

By Dorothy A. Hajek MD TAMS #C-17

A continuing study of Charge Coins used in the State of Maryland. Presented to date were Charge Coins issued by Hochschild, Kohn and Company, MD TAMS Journal Vol IV., No. 1 p. 8 and The Hub MD TAMS Journal Vol. IV No. 2 pp16-18.

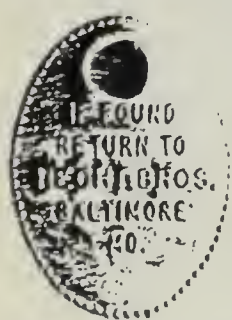
Following the precedent established by other series in this journal, we will refer to these charge cards as MD-CC-(Number) for reference purposes. In case someone wishes to refer to one of these pieces in letters or conversation.

## THE CHARGE COINS OF THE HECHT BROS.

The business was founded by Samuel Hecht, Jr., an immigrant from Germany, who began with a small shop in East Baltimore in 1874. His son, Moses S. Hecht organized the Hecht Company in 1918, at which time it became incorporated. The Store known as Hecht Bros. was established in 1885 and conducted the business in the retailing of home furnishings. In January, 1952, six Hecht store including two Hub stores and four Hecht Bros. locations merged and became known as the Hecht Company. The Hecht and May Companies merged in January, 1959. Today the Company operates several stores in Washington, Baltimore and New York with the Hecht name retained only in Baltimore.

REFERENCE: The Hecht Company Prospectus July, 1945.

The Sun Paper, Jan. 1952 and Jan. 1959.



MD - CC - 3a

OBV: IF FOUND / RETURN TO / HECHT BROS. / BALTIMORE / MD. Dotted border of continuous dots.

REV: 54708 (incused numbers painted black)  
(Numbers 5mm)

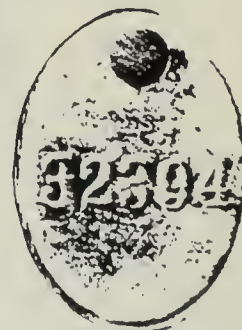
Holed at top, oval shape, white metal,  
22.5 x 30.5 mm

MD - CC - 3b

OBV: HECHT BROS. above / Maryland State Seal in center / BALTIMORE below. Dotted border of small dots with spaces between dots

REV: 32394 (incuse numbers 5mm)

Holed at top, oval shape, white metal  
22.5 x 30.5 mm



MD - CC - 3c

OBV: HECHT BROS. above / Maryland State Seal in center / BALTIMORE below. Dotted border of large continuous dots.

(Different die than MD-CC-3b)

REV: 48023

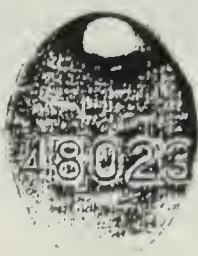
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(Numbers 4.5mm)

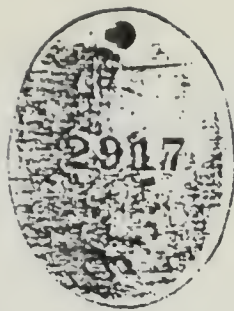
Holed at top, oval shape, white metal  
22.5 x 30.5mm

Editor's note: also in copper

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MD - CC - 3d

OBV: HECHT BROS. & CO. above / Maryland State Seal in center / BALTIMORE below. Dotted border of continuous dots

REV: 2917 (incused numbers painted black) (numbers 3.5mm)

Holed at top, oval shape, white metal 22.5 x 30.5mm

MD - CC - 3e

OBV: HECHT BROS. & CO. ABOVE / Maryland State Seal in center / BALTIMORE below. Dotted border of continuous dots

REV: 3908 (incused numbers painted black) (numbers 5mm)

Holed at top, oval shape, white metal 22.5 x 30.5 mm



MD - CC - 3f

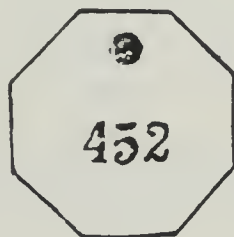
OBV: HECHT'S / RELIABLE / 517-21 S. BROADWAY  
REV: 452

(numbers 5mm)

Holed at top, octagonal shape, white metal 26mm

Hechts Reliable opened in 1879.

Note: photographs shown are not actual size.



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## AT M. S. N. S. CONVENTION

SEPTEMBER 2-4, 1983

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Award</u>
Greg Ruby	An Introduction to Exonumia	Jr. Best of show and People's Choice
Phil Greenslet	The Medal of Honor	Master award and Md. TAMS Award
Millard Hajek	Token Coinage of Lundy	Master award
Jack Pryor	Some Coins of Ireland	Superior award
Millard Hajek	U. S. Large Cent Copper Restrikes	Superior award
Ben Elkins	Balto. Md. Ice Skating Medals	Appreciation
Marvin Burris	George Washington Commemoratives	Appreciation

## AT KENT COIN CLUB SHOW, DOVER, DEL.

SEPTEMBER 23, 1983

Phil Greenslet	The Medal of Honor	1st Place
Greg Ruby	Md. Tercentenary Numismatic Items	Jr. Best of Show

## AT M. A. N. A. CONVENTION

OCTOBER 21-23, 1983

Greg Ruby	An Introduction to Exonumia	Jr. 1st Place
Phil Greenslet	British Campaign Stars of WW II	1st Place
Jack Pryor	Some Coins of Ireland	3rd Place
Marvin Burris	Tribute to a Friend	Appreciation

At the awards breakfast that MANA held, two of our members received the Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association Alex Kaptik Memorial Numismatist of the Year award. The recipients of this award were Mrs. Autence Bason from Greensboro, N. C. who tied for 3rd place. The otherwinner was Greg Ruby, of Hampstead, Md., who came away with 1st Place honors. Both received a trophy and a check from the MANA organization. Congratulations to both of these members.



Bob Ruby presenting the 1983 MD TAMS Award to Phil Greenslet

## BALTIMORE COIN CLUB

NOVEMBER 20, 1983

Jack Pryor	Some Coins of Ireland	Best of Show sponsored by MANA
Greg Ruby	An Introduction to Exonumia	Superior award
Marvin Burris	George Washington Commemoratives	Appreciation award
Vel Viderman		Appreciation award



# THE BABE RUTH MEDAL

By Russ & Jane Sears (R-54 & R-80)

In 1968, planned expansion of the downtown Baltimore campus of the University of Maryland included the 200 block of Emory Street. It was at 216 Emory Street that Babe Ruth was born in the home of his grandfather. Paul Welch, founder of Oriole Advocates along with the Baltimore Junior Chamber of Commerce and other concerned groups and citizens raised \$3700 to save 212, 214, 216, and 218 Emory Street. In early 1969, Mayor Tommy D'Alesandro III formed a mayors committee to buy the four houses. Fund raising was headed by co'chairmen Charles P. McCormick and Joe Dimaggio.

Groundbreaking for the Babe Ruth Birthplace Museum renovation took place in 1969 followed by the opening in 1970. The Babe Ruth Birthplace Foundation was established for the operation of the museum when it was donated to Baltimore City as part of the Department of Recreation and Parks.

In January 1983, the house was changed to include the Maryland Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. Co-chairmen for fund raising at this time were Brooks Robinson and Joe Dimaggio.



As part of the efforts to raise funds in 1968, the idea of the Babe Ruth medal was conceived. The medal was designed by Robert Grams, artist and cartoonist for the Baltimore News American. The reverse design shows the Babe Ruth Birthplace while the obverse design was taken from the famous 1930 Leroy Merriken photograph of Babe Ruth taken at Oriole Park on Greenmount Avenue where Babe was visiting on an exhibition tour.



40mm

The medal whose dies have been destroyed was struck in quantities of 100 silver and 60-80,000 brass. Brass medals were originally \$1.00 but now are given for a \$5.00 donation. Silver medals were intended for presentations. Those receiving the presentation medal include Richard Nixon, Bowie Kuhn, Mamie Ruth Moberly (sister of Babe Ruth), Dorothy Pirone and Julia Stevens (daughters of Babe Ruth), Charles P. McCormick, and Joe Dimaggio. On July 17, 1968 at Yankee Stadium, a plaque containing two silver medals was presented to Clair Ruth, widow of Babe Ruth.

Anyone interested in acquiring a Babe Ruth medal may do so by sending a self addressed stamped envelope and a donation check for at least \$ 5.00 to Babe Ruth Birthplace, 216 Emory Street, Baltimore, Md. 21230.

# "NEW ISSUES"

by Carl Neeley

## PORTI GRAS' 83 COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL

The pieces, which are almost identical to the doubloons distributed at the New Orleans Mardi Gras, were made especially for a city-wide port event, called Porti Gras' 83, that was sponsored by the Maryland Port Administration and other members of the Baltimore maritime community. Porti Gras' 83 occurred October 1 thru October 9.

The Maryland Port Administration conceived and designed the medals as a mass giveaway item commemorating Porti Gras' 83. The majority of the medals were distributed at an exhibition tent in the Inner Harbor. Individuals showing this medal at the entrance of the USF Constellation were able to enter this vessel at half price during Porti Gras' 83. Remaining medals will be distributed to individuals or delegations visiting the port of Baltimore until the supply is depleted. The piece has Port of Baltimore logo on one side and the World Trade Center logo on the other.

Arrangements for the manufacture of the pieces were made through manufacturers representative Strayer Beityel, Inc. of York, Pa., a subsidiary of Geiger Brothers of Lewiston, Me.. The LEYSE Aluminum Company of Kewaunee, Wisconsin did the single run of 5000 of the 1 1/2 inch diameter aluminum medals in September, 1983.

Thanks to Millard Hajek for alerting me to this piece. The information was provided by Karen Little, Assistant Director, Port Promotion, Maryland Port Administration and by Jack Giacomo of Strayer Beityel, Inc..

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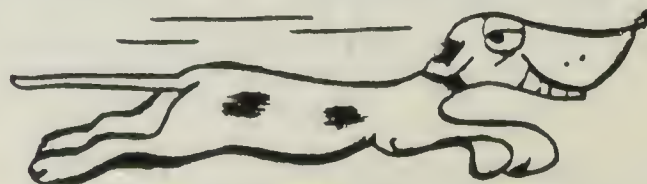
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